

Thomas C. Frongillo

Thomas C. Frongillo is a Principal in the Boston office of Fish & Richardson. A former Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Massachusetts, Mr. Frongillo is a trial lawyer with over 30 years of litigation experience, specializing in white collar criminal defense. He represents corporations and individuals in white collar prosecutions and corporate and regulatory investigations involving the Economic Espionage Act (EEA), health care fraud, securities fraud, public corruption, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) and environmental crimes.

Throughout his career, both as a private practitioner and as a federal prosecutor, Mr. Frongillo has been called upon to handle a multitude of complex, high-stakes cases involving a wide range of legal issues in jurisdictions across the country. In 2013, he served as Special Counsel to the Massachusetts House of Representatives Committee on Ethics in an investigation of possible misconduct by a State Representative. Since 2010, he has represented the Massachusetts Legislature in a federal grand jury investigation of alleged corrupt hiring practices involving the Massachusetts Office of the Commissioner of Probation. In other high-profile matters, Mr. Frongillo has successfully represented the majority owners of an NBA team in a dispute concerning a trade of one of the NBA's top players; the engineers who designed the ceiling of the Big Dig's connector tunnel near Logan Airport in Boston that collapsed in 2006; a Fortune 50 company in an investigation by the SEC of alleged securities fraud stemming from the financial crisis of 2008; a bank in the Nation's largest bank failure; a University in an investigation of alleged financial impropriety by its former president; and a non-profit Rhode Island hospital indicted on federal public corruption charges.

A former trial advocacy instructor at the Attorney General's Institute for Trial Advocacy, Mr. Frongillo is well known for his thorough preparation and courtroom skills. In 2009, he obtained an acquittal of a senior executive of W.R. Grace in a landmark three-month criminal jury trial, *United States v. W.R. Grace*, in which his client was vindicated on charges of knowing endangerment under the Clean Air Act and conspiracy to defraud the United States.